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15. 1. ~~(C/WNINTEL/NOFORN)~~ ON 15 SEP 76, Sec. 3.3(b) (1) MG ROBERT VIOLA, CHIEF OF THE ARMY STAFF, BG SUAREZ MASON, I CORPS COMMANDER, AND COL JUAN SAA, ASST ARMY G-2, AND THEIR WIVES PREPARING TO BOARD AN ARMY TWIN OTTER AT THE MILITARY SECTOR OF THE BUENOS AIRES MUNICIPAL AIRPORT. ALL WERE DRESSED IN CIVILIAN ATTIRE. Sec. 3.3(b) (1) ONE OF THE WIVES REVEALED THAT THE PARTY WAS ENROUTE TO MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY. THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP WAS NOT STATED AND MEMBERS OF THE PARTY WERE SEEN AGAIN IN BUENOS AIRES ON 17 SEP 76.

2. ~~(S/WNINTEL/NOFORN)~~ Sec. 3.3(b) (1) ARGENTINE INTELLIGENCE LEAVING ON 17 SEP 76 FOR BRASILIA TO DISCUSS INTELLIGENCE MATTERS WITH THE BRAZILIAN ARMED FORCES. (b)(3) 10 USC 424 HE STATED THAT HIS MISSION WAS SECRET AND THAT THE ARGENTINE ARMY WAS EXCHANGING INFORMATION ON SUBVERSION. HE IMPLIED THAT THIS TYPE OF COORDINATION WAS NOT NEW BUT DID NOT ELABORATE TO WHAT EXTENT COORDINATION TOOK PLACE BEYOND AN EXCHANGE OF INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION.

3. ~~(C/WNINTEL/NOFORN)~~ Sec. 3.3(b) (1) MUCH OF THE SUCCESS ENJOYED RECENTLY IN THE BATTLE AGAINST SUBVERSION CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO STREAMLINED INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES. Sec. 3.3(b) (1) WHEN INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION IS RECEIVED BY THE POLICE IT IS RAPIDLY DISSEMINATED TO THE ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCE AND VICE-VERSA. SOURCE DESCRIBED THE SPEED OF DISSEMINATION BY SAYING THAT THE INFORMATION "LITERALLY FLIES" FROM ONE HQ TO ANOTHER, THEN, OPERATIONS ARE MOUNTED, SOMETIMES IN A MATTER OF HOURS TO EXPLOIT LEADS BEFORE THE TERRORISTS HAVE TIME TO REACT.

4. ~~(C/WNINTEL/NOFORN)~~ ANOTHER SOURCE REPORTED THAT THE NORTHERN BUENOS AIRES ELEMENT OF THE MONTONEROS WAS HIT EXTREMELY HARD BY SECURITY FORCES ON 15 SEP. THE GUERRILLAS WHO WERE OPERATING FROM THE NORTHERN SUBURB OF OLIVOS (VERY CLOSE TO THE ZONE WHERE US EMBASSY PERSONNEL LIVE) SUFFERED 21 KILLED WITH SEVERAL OTHERS BEING CAPTURED. ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, THE FIANCE! OF ANA MARIA GONZALEZ (THE YOUNG WOMAN RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSASSINATION OF EX-FEDERAL POLICE CHIEF BG

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CARDOZO) WAS KILLED IN THE OPERATION. HE ADDED THAT THE MONTONEROS CELL IN OLIVOS HAD BEEN VIRTUALLY ANNIHILATED.

COMMENT: ~~(S/WNINTEL/NOFORN)~~ THE VISIT [redacted] TO BRAZIL PROVIDES FIRM INFORMATION THAT THE ARGENTINES ARE ACTIVELY COORDINATING WITH THEIR NEIGHBORS ON COUNTERINSURGENCY MATTERS. WHILE THE PURPOSE OF MG VIOLA'S TRIP TO URUGUAY IS NOT CLEAR IT COULD VERY WELL HAVE BEEN TO COORDINATE COUNTERSUBVERSION ACTIVITIES. MG VIOLA'S DAILY ACTIVITIES ARE USUALLY COVERED BY THE PRESS IN DETAIL YET, THERE WAS NO MENTION OF HIS TRIP TO URUGUAY. THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE THE MONTONEROS IS NOW GAINING MOMENTUM. IT WOULD BE LOGICAL TO ASSUME THAT INTELLIGENCE GAINED IN THE SUCCESSFUL OPERATION REPORTED IN PARA 4 WILL LEAD TO OTHER OPERATIONS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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